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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED**

PATENT

Customer No.: 22,852

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Michael S. H. CHU et al.) Group Art Unit: 3731
Application No.: 10/017,012) Examiner: M. H. Thaler
Filed: December 14, 2001) Confirmation No.: 7794
For: METHODS AND APPARATUS)
FOR GUIDING A NEEDLE)
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the final Office Action dated February 9, 2005, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this Amendment.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this Amendment.